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At air field departure this forenoon King Saud asked me transmit following message to President Eisenhower: King sends friendly greetings to President, looks forward to continuation friendship and close cooperation with United States, and hopes to see President soon.

His secretary, who translated, asked that any reply received from President be sent to Amembassy Jidda for delivery by Ambassador Wadsworth, who would be apprised of King's message.

Stage set for Saud's message in following manner: After shaking hands with receiving line in which I stood King reviewed Honor Guard and while doing so had Secretary place me at foot of ramp of his plane. After farewells to Cabinet and ranking Syrian army officers King shook hands with me through out delivery his message and my remarks promising forward message at once and expressing gratitude for King's friendship, cooperation and thoughtfulness.

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Comment: Appears Saud intended not only reassure US but also impress publicly on Syrians continuation close relations with US.

Again Khalid Al-Azm not present.

Request Department authorize me inform Chiefs of Turkish, Pakistani, Iraqi and Iranian Missions of first two parts of Saud's message.

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